AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application:

1. (Currently Amended) An electronic device controlling apparatus comprising:

a communication unit for communicating with electronic devices;

storing means for storing personal identification information and personal information in correspondence with each other, the personal information including personal preference information;

detecting means for detecting the personal identification information and a location where of a person identified by the detected personal identification information is present;

searching means for searching [[said]] <u>the</u> storing means for [[said]] <u>the</u> personal information corresponding to [[said]] <u>the</u> personal identification information detected by [[said]] <u>the</u> detecting means; and

controlling means <u>for which</u>, based on [[said]] <u>the</u> personal information searched for by [[said]] <u>the</u> searching means, <u>causes said causing the</u> communication unit to transmit a control signal to the electronic <u>device devices</u> installed in the detected location.

2. (Currently Amended) The electronic device controlling apparatus according to claim 1, wherein [[said]] the storing means stores the personal identification information

and personal information about a plurality of persons as well as priority information about each of [[said]] the plurality of persons; and

wherein [[said]] <u>the</u> controlling means transmits to [[said]] <u>the</u> electronic device <u>devices</u> the control signal based on the priority information corresponding to the personal identification information detected by [[said]] <u>the</u> detecting means.

- 3. (Currently Amended) The electronic device controlling apparatus according to claim 1, wherein [[said]] the controlling means determines priorities of a plurality of persons who are present in the detected location on the basis of the personal information corresponding to the personal identification information detected by [[said]] the detecting means about [[said]] the plurality of persons, [[said]] the controlling means further transmitting the control signal reflecting [[said]] the priorities to [[said]] the electronic device devices.
- 4. (Currently Amended) An electronic device controlling system comprising: an electronic device installed in each of one or a plurality of rooms locations; an electronic device controlling apparatus which is connected to [[said]] the electronic device installed in each of [[said]] the one or [[said]] the plurality of rooms locations and which is capable of controlling [[said]] the electronic device; and

personal identification information transmitting means which is furnished in each of [[said]] the one or [[said]] the plurality of rooms locations and which transmits to [[said]] the electronic device controlling apparatus personal identification information

and personal information including personal preference information about a person having entered in any one of [[said]] the one or [[said]] the plurality of rooms locations; wherein [[said]] the electronic device controlling apparatus includes:

a communication unit for communicating with [[said]] the electronic devices; a reception unit for receiving [[said]] the personal identification information from [[said]] the personal identification information transmitting means furnished in each of

detecting means for detecting the room from which [[said]] the personal identification information received by [[said]] the reception unit has been transmitted; storing means for storing [[said]] the personal identification information and [[said]] the personal information in correspondence with each other;

[[said]] the one or [[said]] the plurality of rooms locations;

searching means for searching [[said]] the storing means for [[said]] the personal information corresponding to [[said]] the personal identification information detected by [[said]] the reception unit; and

controlling means <u>for which</u>, based on [[said]] <u>the</u> personal information searched for by [[said]] <u>the</u> searching means, <u>eauses said causing the</u> communication unit to transmit a control signal to the electronic device installed in the <u>room location</u> detected by [[said]] <u>the</u> detecting means.

5. (Currently Amended) The electronic device controlling system according to claim 4, wherein [[said]] the storing means of [[said]] the electronic device controlling apparatus stores the personal identification information and personal information about

a plurality of persons as well as priority information about each of [[said]] the plurality of persons; and

wherein [[said]] <u>the</u> controlling means of [[said]] <u>the</u> electronic device controlling apparatus transmits to [[said]] <u>the</u> electronic device the control signal based on the priority information corresponding to [[said]] <u>the</u> personal identification information detected by [[said]] <u>the</u> detecting means.

- 6. (Currently Amended) The electronic device controlling system according to claim 4, wherein [[said]] the controlling means of [[said]] the electronic device controlling apparatus determines priorities of a plurality of persons who are present in the room detected by [[said]] the detecting means on the basis of the personal information corresponding to [[said]] the personal identification information acquired by [[said]] the reception unit about [[said]] the plurality of persons, [[said]] the controlling means further transmitting the control signal reflecting [[said]] the priorities to [[said]] the electronic device.
- 7. (Currently Amended) An electronic device controlling method comprising the steps of:

causing personal identification information transmitting means installed in each of a plurality of locations to transmit personal identification information and personal information including personal preference information about a person who is present in any one of [[said]] the plurality of locations to a controlling apparatus;

detecting the location where there is present said of the person identified by [[said]] the personal identification information received from [[said]] the personal identification information transmitting means;

searching for personal information corresponding to [[said]] the personal identification information detected in [[said]] the detecting step through storing means which stores [[said]] the personal identification information and [[said]] the personal information in correspondence with each other; and

exercising control to transmit transmitting a control signal to an electronic device installed in the location detected in [[said]] the detecting step, [[said]] the control signal being based on [[said]] the personal information searched for in [[said]] the searching step.

8. (Currently Amended) The electronic device controlling method according to claim 7, wherein [[said]] the storing means stores the personal identification information and personal information about a plurality of persons as well as priority information about each of [[said]] the plurality of persons; and

wherein [[said]] <u>the</u> controlling step transmits to [[said]] <u>the</u> electronic device the control signal based on the priority information corresponding to [[said]] <u>the</u> personal identification information detected in [[said]] <u>the</u> detecting step.

9. (Currently Amended) The electronic device controlling method according to claim 7, wherein [[said]] the controlling step determines priorities of a plurality of persons who are present in the detected location on the basis of the personal

information corresponding to [[said]] <u>the</u> personal identification information detected in [[said]] <u>the</u> detecting step about [[said]] <u>the</u> plurality of persons, [[said]] <u>the</u> controlling step further transmitting the control signal reflecting [[said]] <u>the</u> priorities to [[said]] <u>the</u> electronic device.